

The State of New Hampshire

Department of Environmental Services



Michael P. Nolin

Commissioner

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NOTICE OF PAST VIOLATION

William Berg 4 Meadowbrook Lane Litchfield, NH 03052

RE: File # 2003-00138, 4 Meadowbrook Lane, Litchfield

Tax Map 13 / Lot 37

Dear Mr. Berg:

Between January 10, 2006 and July 24, 2006, the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, Wetlands Bureau ("DES") inspected property located at 4 Meadowbrook Lane, Litchfield ("the Property") on several occasions. The purpose of these inspections was to respond to a complaint that alleged ruts in a wetland and to monitor follow up restoration. This wetland is especially sensitive due to its rarity and sensitive species found within. It was determined from photos that violations of RSA 482-A and Administrative Rules Wt 100-800 had occurred on the Property.

This Notice of Past Violation ("Notice") is being sent to you as DES understands, from your letter received February 13, 2003, that a member of your family drove an ATV through the wetland on your Property causing rutting. This is to inform you that the violations referenced above have been documented and will be maintained on file at DES. Almost four growing seasons have transpired since the violation and local officials claim that the wetland has since been inundated with water. Due to the constant presence of water, DES suspects that the wetland has naturally restored itself and the ruts have smoothed. No further action is required of you relative to these violations and DES will take no further enforcement action at this time. DES reserves the right to reopen this matter should additional information be received regarding additional violations on the Property. This Notice is being sent to help you avoid similar violations in the future so as to protect wetlands and surface waters from unregulated despoliation before violations occur.

Please be advised that any work in wetlands, waters of the state, the upland tidal buffer zone, the bank, flat, sand dune, or other areas of jurisdiction of the Department requires a posted, approved permit prior to carrying out such work.

DES Web site: www.des.nh.gov

In an effort to promote better understanding and compliance with wetlands laws and rules, DES provides an "inspector of the day" service available to the public to address technical questions related to wetlands regulation. This service is available Monday through Friday, 8:00am to 4:00 pm by calling (603) 271-2147. DES encourages you to make use of this service as well as our website (http://www.des.nh.gov/wetlands.htm) before undertaking future work on your property.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact Eric M. Skoglund at (603) 271-4192 or eskoglund@des.state.nh.us.

Sincerely

Bureau Administrator
DES Wetlands Bureau

cc: Gretchen R. Hamel, Administrator, DES Legal Unit Litchfield Conservation Commission Litchfield Board of Selectmen